

OPINION 1315

EOLIS ALDERI COCKS, 1852 IS THE TYPE SPECIES OF
AEOLIDIELLA BERGH, 1867 (MOLLUSCA, GASTROPODA)

RULING. — (1) Under the plenary powers:

- (a) all designations of type species hitherto made for the nominal genus *Aeolidiella* Bergh, 1867 are hereby set aside and *Eolis alderi* Cocks, 1852 is hereby designated as type species of that genus;
- (b) the following specific names are hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy:
 - (i) *soemmerringii* Leuckart, 1828, as published in the binomen *Eolida soemmerringii*;
 - (ii) *soemmeringii* Bergh, 1882, as published in the binomen *Aeolidiella soemmeringii*.

(2) Entry No. 1720 on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology is hereby amended so as to read: *Aeolidiella* Bergh, 1867 (gender: feminine) type species, by designation under the plenary powers, *Eolis alderi* Cocks, 1852.

(3) The specific name *alderi* Cocks, 1852, as published in the binomen *Eolis alderi* (specific name of type species of *Aeolidiella* Bergh, 1867) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2958.

(4) Entry No. 2152 on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology is hereby deleted.

(5) The following specific names are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

- (i) *soemmerringii* Leuckart, 1828, as published in the binomen *Eolida soemmerringii*, and as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) (b) (i) above (Name Number 1145);
- (ii) *soemmeringii* Bergh, 1882, as published in the binomen *Aeolidiella soemmeringii*, and as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) (b) (ii) above (Name Number 1146).

HISTORY OF THE CASE Z.N.(S.)1986

An application for the clarification of the type species of *Aeolidiella* Bergh, 1867 was first received from the late Dr Henning Lemche on 28 October 1971. This was never published because of difficulties over Dr Lemche's choice of a neotype for *Eolida soemmerringii* Leuckart, 1828. In November 1979 consultations were opened with Dr T. E. Thompson and Dr Gregory H. Brown. On 14 March 1980, revised proposals were received from Dr Brown. After some correspondence this was sent to the printer on 24 February 1981 and published on 30 November 1981 in *Bull. zool. Nom.*

vol. 38, pp. 294–296. Public notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the statutory serials, to seven general serials and one specialist serial. Support was received from Dr Jean Tardy (*Institut Universitaire de Technologie, La Rochelle, France*).

Dr Holthuis objected to the proposed changes in the Official Lists and suggested that a neotype for the species that was before Bergh in 1867 could be designated as neotype of *Eolida soemmerringii* Leuckart, 1828. This, however, proved impracticable.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 13 September 1984 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (1984)44 for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 38, pp. 295–296. At the close of the voting period on 13 December 1984 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative Votes — twenty-one (21) received in the following order: Melville, Holthuis, Cocks, Brinck, Hahn, Mroczkowski, Willink, Trjapitzin, Halvorsen, Uéno, Starobogatov, Sabrosky, Alvarado, Kraus, Ride, Corliss, Schuster, Bayer, Heppell, Dupuis, Binder

Negative Votes — none (0).

No votes were returned by Bernardi, Cogger, Lehtinen and Savage.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for the names placed on Official Lists and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

alderi, *Eolida*, Cocks, 1852, *Naturalist*, vol. 2, p. 1

soemmerringii, *Aeolidiella*, Bergh, 1882, *Verh. zool.-bot. Ges. Wien* for 1882, p. 8

soemmerringii, *Eolida*, Leuckart, 1828, *Breves Animalium*, p. 16.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the votes cast on V.P.(84)44 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that voting paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1315.

R. V. MELVILLE

Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

London

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